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1. MISSION SHOULD ADVISE AGENCY THAT UPON RECEIPT OF DETAILED INFORMATION REGARDING ADDITIONAL FUEL MATERIAL DESIRED, US IS PREPARED TO CONSIDER AUTHORIZING SUPPLY UNCLASSIFIED

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THROUGH IAEA.

2. AGENCY UNDERSTANDING IS CORRECT THAT NON-PROLIFERATION CONTROLS PRESCRIBED BY PENDING US LEGISLATION AND/OR CURRENT US NUCLEAR EXPORT POLICY WOULD BE REQUIRED IN THE SUPPLY AGREEMENT COVERING SUCH SUPPLY. SUCH CONTROLS WERE NOT, OF COURSE, CONTAINED IN THE SECOND SUPPLY AGREEMENT

OF 1972 (INFCIRC/52 ADD. 1).

3. MEXICAN REQUEST TO AGENCY EVIDENTLY DID NOT SPECIFY FUEL ENRICHMENT DESIRED. INFCIRC/52 ADD. 1 COVERED BOTH HIGHLY ENRICHED AND LOW-ENRICHMENT URANIUM BECAUSE MEXICAN INTENT AT THAT TIME WAS TO CONVERT ITS TRIGA MARK III REACTOR TO HEU OPERATION. REACTOR WAS ORIGINALLY DESIGNED TO OPERATE ON LEU. IN THIS CONNECTION, MISSION

SHOULD REMIND AGENCY THAT CURRENT US POLICY IS TO MINIMIZE

PROLIFERATION RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS MATERIAL, AND THEREFORE TO AUTHORIZE HEU EXPORTS FOR REACTOR FUEL ONLY WHEN THERE IS CLEAR TECHNICAL/ECONOMIC JUSTIFICATION. YY

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